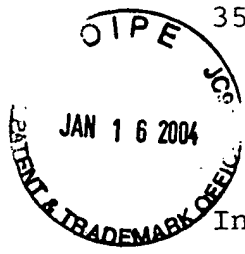


35.C14598

PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
HIDEO UKUDA ) : Examiner: Unassigned  
Application No.: 09/606,522 ) : Group Art Unit: 2873  
Filed: June 30, 2000 ) :  
For: OPTICAL MATERIAL AND ) :  
OPTICAL SYSTEM USING IT : November 20, 2000

Commissioner for Patents  
**Box Missing Parts**  
Washington, D.C. 20231

CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

Sir:

Applicant hereby claims priority under the  
International Convention and preserves all rights to which he  
is entitled under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon the following  
Japanese Priority Applications:

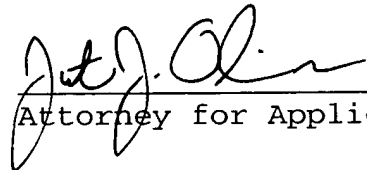
JAPAN 11-187678, filed July 1, 1999; and

JAPAN 2000-042600, filed February 21, 2000.

Certified copies of the priority documents are  
enclosed.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in  
our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010.  
All correspondence should continue to be directed to our  
below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

 (re-argued 1/16/04)  
Attorney for Applicant

Registration No. 44,986

FITZPATRICK, CELLA, HARPER & SCINTO  
30 Rockefeller Plaza  
New York, New York 10112-3801  
Facsimile: (212) 218-2200

JJO/tmm